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The establishment of the Institute of China Studies (ICS) was proposed by the former Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato’ Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi after his visit to China as the then Deputy Prime Minister in September 2003. The Ministry of Higher Education of Malaysia then directed the University of Malaya to prepare a proposal, leading to the establishment of ICS on 5th December 2003. ICS, as the first research institute in Malaysia with a specific focus on China studies, is dedicated to the study of contemporary Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau and their relations with Malaysia and other countries and regions. Besides being a research and resource centre, ICS also serves as a policy adviser to the government, corporate sector and diplomatic corps, and engages in academic exchange and dialogue with local and foreign academic institutions to promote greater interest and awareness on issues related to related to Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau in the fields of political economy, business and strategic or bilateral relations in the context of regional as well as global development. The specific objectives of ICS include:

- To be an academic research organization dedicated to the advancement of scholarship on China’s political, economic and social development in the regional and global contexts.
- To focus on the study of China’s integration in the global economy, in view of the growing investment and trade links between China and ASEAN, and their importance in sustaining economic growth and promoting stability in Asia.
- To facilitate informed public policy debates, provide recommendations and conduct academic research on the regional and global impacts of China’s political and socioeconomic development.
- To enhance collaborative research links with foreign institutions through academic exchange programmes and joint research projects focusing on China.
- To serve as a resource centre and policy advisor to the government, corporate sector, and diplomatic corps on matters related to political
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economy, socioeconomic development, trade and business, as well as other social, economic, political and strategic issues crucial to the understanding of the Greater China region encompassing Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau.

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ICS Books and Book-length Journal Special Issues

China: Isu dan Hubungan Luar [China: issues and foreign relations], editor: Obaidellah Mohamad (University of Malaya), 2004.
Malaysia, Southeast Asia and the Emerging China: Political, Economic and Cultural Perspectives, editors: Hou Kok Chung and Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh (University of Malaya), 2005.
Ensuring Interests: The Dynamic of Cross-Strait Relations and Southeast Asia, editors: Ho Khai Leong and Hou Kok Chung (Nanyang Technological University/University of Malaya), 2006.
China and Malaysia in a Globalizing World: Bilateral Relations, Regional Imperatives and Domestic Challenges, editors: Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh and Hou Kok Chung (University of Malaya), 2006.

全球化话语下的中国及马来西亚 [China and Malaysia in the discourse of globalization], editor: 何国忠 (Hou Kok Chung) (University of Malaya), 2007.


文化记忆与华人社会 [Cultural memory and Chinese society], editor: 何国忠 (Hou Kok Chung) (University of Malaya), 2008.


The Copenhagen Journal of Asian Studies, Vol. 26, No. 2, 2008 (Special Issue – Transforming China). The CJAS is published by the Asia Research Centre, Copenhagen Business School. This Transforming China special issue is the result of collaboration between ARC, CBS, and ICS, UM, under the ChinaWorld International Research Network with selected papers from ICS’s China in the World, the World in China International Conference “Implications of a Transforming China: Domestic, Regional and Global Impacts”, guest edited by Associate Professor Dr Yeoh Kok Kheng, director of ICS, and Associate Professor Dr Kate Hannan, University of Wollongong, Australia.


China-ASEAN Relations: Economic Engagement and Policy Reform, editors: Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh, Chan Sok Gee, Wendy Chen-Chen Yong and Joanne Hoi-Lee Loh (University of Malaya), 2009.


East Asian Regional Integration: Diaspora and Impact (Volume 1), co-published with Saw Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, editors: Zhuang Guotu and Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh (Xiamen University/University of Malaya), 2010.

东亚区域整合: 人口迁移与影响 (下册) [East Asian regional integration: diaspora and impact (volume 2)], co-published with Saw Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University/University of Malaya, 2010.
Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, editors: 施雪琴 (Shi Xueqin) and 廖大珂 (Liao Dake) (Xiamen University), 2010.


International Journal of China Studies, Vol. 2, No. 3 (Focus – South China Sea and China’s Foreign Relations), focus issue editors: Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh and Ngeow Chow Bing (University of Malaya), 2011.

China-ASEAN Perspective Forum, Vol. 2, Nos. 1 & 2 (Special Issue – From Ethnic, Social to Regional Relations: China and ASEAN in Perspective), special issue editors: Yang Hude, Emile Kok-Kheng Yeoh, Ma Fu and Qi Fumin (Qinghai University for Nationalities/University of Malaya), 2012.


International Journal of China Studies, Vol. 4, No. 2 (Special Issue – China: Government, Space and Power), guest editor: Gary Sigley (University of Western Australia), 2013.

International Journal of China Studies, Vol. 4, No. 3 (Special Issue – New Chinese International Relations), guest editor: Gerald Chan (University of Auckland), 2013.


International Journal of China Studies, Launched in 2010

The International Journal of China Studies is a triannual academic journal of the Institute of China Studies, University of Malaya, Malaysia, focusing on contemporary China and her relations with other countries and regions, in the context of regional and global development, and more specifically, issues related to the political, social and economic development, trade and commerce, foreign relations, regional security and science, medical and technological de-

China-ASEAN Perspective Forum, Launched in 2011

The China-ASEAN Perspective Forum is a biannual academic journal of the Institute of China Studies, University of Malaya, Malaysia, focusing on China and ASEAN regional integration, related issues of economic and financial cooperation, trade, investment and cultural linkages, and the role of the Chinese Overseas, including Chinese communities and businesses. Originally launched as the China-ASEAN Integration & Trade Journal in 2011, it was renamed the China-ASEAN Perspective Forum in 2012.

ICS International Conferences

文化记忆与华人社会 [Cultural memory and Chinese society], University of Malaya, 2 April 2006.
中马关系与马来西亚华人研究/Sino-Malaysian Relations and Ethnic Chinese in Malaysia (co-organized with Institute of Malaysian Studies/Research School of Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, China), Xiamen University, 19-23 April 2007.
Implications of a Transforming China: Domestic, Regional and Global Impacts, University of Malaya, 5-6 August 2007.
China-ASEAN Regional Integration: Political Economy of Trade, Growth and Investment (co-organized with Institute of Malaysian Studies/Research School of Southeast Asian Studies/, Xiamen University, China), University of Malaya, 14-15 October 2008.


East Asian Regional Integration: Diaspora and Impact (co-organized with Institute of Malaysian Studies/Research School of Southeast Asian Studies and Saw Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, China, and Research Group for Global Korean Business and Culture, Chonnam University, Republic of Korea), Xiamen University, 19-20 October 2009.


China-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement: Regional Implications (co-organized with Research School of Southeast Asian Studies/Institute of Malaysian Studies, Xiamen University, China), University of Malaya, 27-28 September 2010.

From Ethnic to National Identification among Chinese Migrants’ Descendants (co-organized with Social and Behavioural Science Research Cluster, University of Malaya), University of Malaya, 23-24 March 2011.


Multi-culture and World Development (co-organized with School of Politics, Qinghai University for Nationalities, China), Qinghai University for Nationalities, 12-13 June 2011.

China-ASEAN Cooperation in the 21st Century: Challenge and Prospect (co-organized with Research School of Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, and Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Shanghai, China), Xiamen University, 12-13 December 2011.

Socioeconomic Development, Ethnicity and Social Cohesion: China and Malaysia in Perspective (co-organized with School of Politics, Qinghai University for Nationalities, China), University of Malaya, 25-26 April 2012.

China, ASEAN and the Changing Context of East Asian Regionalism (co-organized with Research School of Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, China, Department of International Relations, Changwon National University, Republic of Korea, and Asia-Europe Institute, University of Malaya), University of Malaya, 5-6 December 2012.

From Hu-Wen to Xi-Li Administration: China’s Leadership Transition and Its Domestic and International Implications (co-organized with East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore), University of Malaya, 12-13 September 2013.

Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections – An International Conference on Taiwan’s Electoral Democracy and Its Sociopolitical Implications for Taiwan and Beyond (co-organized with Taiwan Foundation for Democracy), University of Malaya, 24-25 October 2013.
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